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DISCLOSURE ADVISORY

For the person named above, whom the People may call as a witness, please be advised as follows.

1. The New York City Police Department has deemed substantiated an allegation that Vladimir Espinal engaged in Filing False Documents. The departmental proceeding charged him with engaging in conduct prejudicial to the good order, efficiency or discipline of the Department, in connection with an incident that occurred when he was a probationary police officer, between December 18, 2008, and December 31, 2008, in that he failed to review for accuracy a Witness Statement Injury to Member of the Department form prior to signing the form. He pleaded guilty to this allegation.
2. The New York City Police Department has deemed partially substantiated allegations that Vladimir Espinal engaged in a dispute, was unfit for duty, and violated other Department rules/procedures. The allegations arose out of an incident on April 28, 2013, while he was off-duty in which police responded to an apartment at which he was present. A Sergeant knocked on the door and at first engaged with a man and a woman. Vladimir Espinal came to the door and questioned why the Sergeant was there. In the course of the conversation, he identified himself as a police officer in the 45th Precinct and asked in substance, "as cop to cop, how can we make this go away." When the Sergeant responded, Espinal became angry, balled his fist up, took a combative stance and pressed his chest toward the Sergeant's chest in a hostile manner before turning around and re-entering the apartment. In connection with this incident, he was charged in a Department proceeding with: (1) being discourteous to the Sergeant, by approaching her in an aggressive posture with clenched fists, and addressing her in a harsh and argumentative manner; and (2) wrongfully consuming an intoxicant while off-duty to the extent that he was unfit for duty. This incident occurred while P.O. Espinal was off-duty and assigned to the 45th Precinct.
3. The New York City Police Department (NYPD) has deemed substantiated an allegation that Vladimir Espinal, while assigned to the 5th Precinct, on or about February 9, 2016, after being informed by a person known to the Department that said person was the victim of a larceny, failed to prepare a complaint report to document the crime. Vladimir Espinal pleaded guilty to the charge.

Various publicly available websites and databases contain disciplinary information for certain law enforcement officers. Information in such databases about this officer is not necessarily included in this advisory.

Any information herein regarding civil lawsuits against an officer is not necessarily a complete list of civil lawsuits in which that officer is a defendant.

Allegations of misconduct that have not been substantiated and are not pending (including, but not limited to, findings of unsubstantiated, unfounded, and exonerated), and allegations of technical infractions, are not subject to disclosure and are not included in this advisory.

The decision to include information in this advisory does not represent a conclusion by the People that it is required to be disclosed.

The People reserve the right to oppose or move to limit the use of any information included herein or disclosed in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact the Assistant District Attorney assigned to the case on which you are receiving this advisory.

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